



2021 Wolf Rock Race SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Including Amendment 2

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STATION C/S	HOURS OF OPS	27 MHz	VHF	Phone (+61 7)	A/H EMERG
VMR BRISBANE	0600-1700 W/E (PH)	88, 91	16, 67, 21, 73, 81	3269 8888	0428 022 881
CG REDCLIFFE	0600-1800 M-F 0400-2000 W/E (PH)	88, 90, 91	16, 67, 21, 22, 63, 73, 80, 81	3203 5522	3203 5522
VMR BRIBIE ISLAND	0500-1800 DAILY	88, 90	16, 67, 21, 73, 81	3408 7596	0417 610 806
CG CALOUNDRA	0530-1200 M-F 0530-1700 W/E (PH)	88, 91	16, 67, 73	5491 3533	0439 913 533
CG MOOLOOLABA	24/7	88, 90	16, 67, 21, 73, 80	5444 3222	-
CG NOOSA	24/7	88, 91	16, 67, 22, 80	5474 3695	-

Race Committee

Vice Commodore
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Race Director
Asst. Race Director

John Warlow
James Tapp
Mark Dingley
Mark Gallagher

Support Staff

General Manager
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Shawn Ket
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The notation “[NP]” in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules, as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (“RRS”) of World Sailing, including:
 - a. the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) will apply when a boat sailing under RRS meets a vessel that is not and between the hours of sunset and sunrise.
 - b. the IRC Rules 2021,
 - c. the ORC Rating Rules 2021,
 - d. the prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (“AS Special Regulations”)
 - e. applicable special regulations for Category 2 events including additional items as amended by the NOR.
- 1.2 When conflict occurs between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the rules of the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.3 Compliance with the current Qld Government COVID-19 restrictions that apply to RQYS including contact tracing via the electronic app “Check in Qld”.
- 1.4 All competitors are reminded of RRS Part 1.1 Helping Those in Danger, “A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger”.
- 1.5 All competitors are reminded of RRS 3 Decision to Race, “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”.
- 1.6 Whilst racing a boat may retrieve data from the standing’s pages of the RQYS race website and/or the text-based feeds provided from the RQYS race website if these pages are not publicly available. During the race a boat shall not contact, or be in contact with, any person or private entity using any medium to receive meteorological or hydrographical information, however a boat may obtain assistance in the form of any readily available commercial and government meteorological or hydrographical information regardless of cost. Amends RRS 41(c).
- 1.7 RRS 44.3(c) is amended to a scoring time penalty as per SI 13.3
- 1.8 RRS 46 is amended to reflect that all crew are required to be members of a World Sailing affiliated club and registered with Australian Sailing with their current ASN# recorded in the crew list of the Yachts entry.
- 1.9 RRS 52 is amended to permit powered winches for boats racing in non-IRC Categories.
- 1.10 RRS 52 is amended to allow self- steering equipment to be used by boats in the Short-Handed division. RRS Appendix A5.2 is changed as per NOR 12.1.
- 1.11 RRS 55.2 and 55.3 is amended to allow fixed and retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.
- 1.12 IRC Rule 11.2, 21.6.1 and ORC Rule 206.1 is changed to allow a boat may carry one more spinnaker than shown on the boat’s Certificate without an increase of rating.
- 1.13 IRC Rule 21.1.5 and ORC Rule 206.1 is changed to allow a spare mainsail may be carried as a bona fide replacement for a mainsail damaged during the race and not for the purpose of improved performance (such as for varying weather conditions or points of sailing). A boat that uses that replacement mainsail shall lodge a declaration declaring the reason for its use and may be required to make the damaged mainsail available for inspection by the Race Committee.
- 1.14 IRC Rule 22.4.2 and ORC Rule 102 is changed to reflect the maximum number of crew that may sail aboard a boat shall be the Crew Number printed on her certificate plus one. There is no crew weight limit.
- 1.15 Australian Sailing Special Regulations SR 5.01.1(h) is amended to:

A lifejacket shall be worn by each member of the crew at times such as, but not limited to:

 - (i) when alone on deck.
 - (ii) on deck and when the true wind speed is 25 knots or above.
 - (iii) on deck and when visibility is less than 1 nautical mile.

- 1.16 GPS positions or waypoints specified use WGS84 Datum.
 1.17 RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies.

2. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0730 hours on the day of the Race, except that any change which affects the schedule of the Race will be posted before 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located online at <https://www.rqys.com.au/sailingnoticeboard/>.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Australian Eastern Standard Time (Queensland) will be used for the timing of all signals.

DATE	EVENT	TIME
01/12/2021	Compulsory Race & Weather Briefing (RQYS Auditorium)	1800hrs
03/12/2021	Warning Signal (Not Before)	1955hrs
05/12/2021	Presentation of Prizes (RQYS Bar)	1700hrs

5. DIVISIONS/CATEGORIES

There will be five (5) scoring categories being IRC, OMR, Performance Handicap System (PHS) Monohull, Performance Handicap System (PHS) Multihull, and Performance Handicap System (PHS) Short-Handed Monohull.

All entrants will be started as one division.

6. CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flag warning signal for all Divisions shall be International Code Flag 'K'.

7. RACING AREA

The Racing Area will be from Moreton Bay to offshore waters of Double Island Point.

8. THE COURSE

See Appendix A, there are two courses listed, **the course to be sailed with be confirmed at the compulsory briefing on 01/12/2021.**

9. MARKS

- 9.1 The Starting Mark will be an orange conical buoy.
 9.2 Wolf Rock is located at approximately 25 54.58 S, 153 11.85 E.
 9.3 The Finish Marks will be Aids to Navigation, Lockyer Light and A S Huybers

10. THE START

- 10.1 The Race will be started according to RRS Rule 26.
 10.2 The Starting Line shall be between a staff displaying the Orange Flag on the Race Committee Vessel ("Vic Frizzle") at the Starboard end of the line, and the Starting Mark at the Port end, located approximately in the vicinity of 27 24.70' S, 153 16.22'E
 10.3 A yacht starting later than twenty (20) minutes after her Starting Signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.
 10.4 Individual Recalls will be signalled according to RRS 29.1. [NP] In the event of an Individual Recall the Start Boat may attempt to contact the recalled yacht on **VHF72** as soon as possible but no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the Starting Signal. This modifies RRS 29.1.
 10.5 General Recalls will be signalled according to RRS 29.2

11. CHANGE OF COURSE

There is no provision for a change of course after the start.

12. THE FINISH

12.1 The Finish Line shall be the transit line between “Lockyer Light 27 26.448 S, 153 14.496 E at the Starboard end of the line, and the A S Huybers (Red Lateral) 27 26.881’ S, 153 14.727’ E at the Port end,

12.2 **UPON FINISHING;** Within **15 minutes** all boats shall contact Race Control by text/SMS to **+6140 4900 546** advising:

1.1.1. [Yacht Name],

1.1.2. GPS Time of Finishing.

12.3 **All Skippers shall complete and submit a Skippers Declaration Form** (Appendix B) as soon as possible after finishing but no later than 1600 hours on Sunday, 05/12/2021. SkipperDeclarations shall be submitted via SMS text to Mark Dingley on +6140 4900 546 or via email to sailing@rqys.com.au.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 Between the hours of sunrise and sunset, the 720° penalty, RRS Rule 44.2 shall apply for infringement of the rules of Part 2 of the RRS.

13.2 Between the hours of sunset and sunrise, Rule 44.3a is amended so that a boat need not display a yellow flag, however a boat that takes a scoring penalty shall submit a Skippers Declaration (attached to these Sailing Instructions) SMS text to Mark Dingley on **+6140 4900 546** or via email to sailing@rqys.com.au as soon as practical but no later than 1600 hours on Sunday, 05/12/2021.

13.3 Rule 44.3c is amended so that a boats scoring penalty for a breach of RRS Part 2, will be a penalty of ten (10) minutes added to their elapsed time.

13.4 [NP] Yachts failing to report their position as required by SI 16 will receive a time scoring penalty of 10 minutes per missed report to a maximum of a 30 minute increase to a boats elapsed time.

14. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the race will be forty-eight (48) hours from the time of the starting signal. Yachts which have not finished by this time will be scored TLE without a hearing.

15. PROTESTS AND REDRESS

15.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be lodged at the RQYS Race Office within two (2) hours of the finish time of the protesting yacht, or if the Race Office is closed by 0900 hrs the next day.

15.2 RRS Appendix T (Arbitration) applies.

15.3 Hearing Notices will be posted within 48 hours of the Protest Time Limit to inform competitors when and where there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.

15.4 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt and as soon as possible.

15.5 Yachts, which divert from their optimum course for the purposes of search and/or rescue, or alternatively when carrying out their obligations under RRS 1.1, are strongly advised to keep a detailed log of their movements and are invited to make an application to the Race Committee for redress. The granting of and the extent and method of calculating redress shall be at the absolute discretion of the Protest Committee, except that the outcome of a successful application for redress shall not result in the abandonment of the race. This amends RRS 64.2.

15.6 In accordance with RRS 64.2 in determining penalties, the Protest Committee may:

- disqualify the yacht, or
- impose a scoring penalty as per RRS 44.3(c), or
- make any other arrangement.

15.7 The scoring penalty RRS 44.3 (c) is altered as follows. Delete the last sentence and insert: “All other yachts affected, including any yacht with the same score, shall be moved up one place.”

16. SAFETY/COMMUNICATION

- 16.1 All yachts must observe a 20-metre exclusion zone around all Aids to Navigation on Moreton Bay and must not impede commercial shipping.
- 16.2 [NP] **AIS**; Boats must be fitted with AIS with the ability to send and receive which shall be active in both modes at all times.
- 16.3 **SIGN ON WITH RC**; Prior to the Preparation Signal, all Yachts shall report to the Start Boatvessel at the starting area with all crew on deck, each wearing their compliant safety harness and tether (compliant in accordance with AS Special Regulation 5.02 SAFETY HARNESS AND SAFETY LINES (Tethers)). Upon visual inspection by the Race Officer, confirmation of Persons on Board (POB) will be hailed by the Race Officer to the Skipper of each Yacht confirming details. The Start Boat will be on station from 1900 hours on Friday 3rd December 2021,
- 16.4 **COAST GUARD MOOLOOLABA QF6**; Passing Report
All yachts shall report their position to Coast Guard Mooloolaba on **VHF67** when that are abeam Point Cartwright (bearing 270 deg) as they pass Point Cartwright heading both North and South.
- 16.5 **UPON ROUNDING WOLF ROCK**; Within **15 minutes of rounding** Wolf Rock, all boats shall contact Race Control by text/SMS to **+6140 4900 546** advising:
(i) [Yacht Name],
(ii) Wolf Rock rounded, and
(iii) Estimated Time of Finishing.
- 16.6 **APPROACHING THE FINISH LINE** boats are to contact the Race Control on VHF Channel 72 or Text/SMS to **+6140 4900 546** when they are approximately two (2) nautical miles from the finish line.
- 16.7 **RETIREMENT**: Boats which retire from the race shall advise Race Control by text/SMS/voice call via text to **+6140 4900 546** advising:
(i) [Yacht Name],
(ii) [Current GPS Lat Long Position],
(iii) [General direction of travel],
(iv) [POB #],
(v) [Destination]
(vi) [ETR HRS:MIN:SEC] approx Estimate Time of Return to Destination.

17. COMMERCIAL SHIPPING

- 17.1 After starting and before passing the Northwest Fairway mark, a boat that cannot manoeuvre safely and is in danger of hindering any commercial shipping shall use her engine to clear such shipping. The engine use must be logged in the Declaration Form (SI Appendix B) and be lodged with the Race Committee after finishing the race. The Race Committee shall decide what penalties (if any) the boat shall be scored. This alters RRS 42. It is recommended that whilst within Moreton Bay that if mercantile shipping is observed within the shipping channel that may impact their sailing area Skippers have their engine started and ready for operation.
- 17.2 **All Skippers** are reminded of their responsibility under rule 9(b) of the IRPCS, (b) "A vessel of less than 20 metres in length or a sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway." Competitors shall keep clear of, and give way to, all Commercial vessels greater than 20 meters once north of Mud Island and until north of the pilot boarding area abeam of Point Cartwright, this area being deemed to be 'Narrow Channels' by Maritime Safety Queensland.

18. TEMPORARY DISCONTINUANCE FROM RACING (Amends RRS 41 and 45)

- 18.1 A boat after starting may use its motor to assist with anchoring or berthing when:
(a) taking shelter from extreme weather, or (b) disembarking sick or injured crew who will take no further part in the race (such crew shall not be replaced), or (c) attempting repairs wholly on board, or (d) when avoiding commercial marine, aviation traffic, or any vessel with an inability to manoeuvre.
- 18.2 For the purpose of SI 18.1, mechanical propulsion may be used only to assist with berthing or anchoring. Crew intending to continue to race may go ashore solely for the purpose of making fast and thereafter shall immediately re-embark. No outside assistance shall be accepted by the boat or the crew other than as provided in RRS 41.
- 18.3 A boat complying with RRS 1.1 (except as to its own crew), which sustains damage or depletes its stores, may accept outside assistance to make good the damage, equipment or stores provided that such assistance shall not be provided over a cumulative period exceeding 24 hours in total.
- 18.4 For the purpose of this SI, a boat's elapsed time shall continue to accrue, except that the time taken under SI 18.3 may be included for the purposes of RRS 62.

19. COMMUNICATION CHECKS

- 1.1. Each boat must complete a communication check via VHF Radio with Coastguard Redcliffe.
- 1.2. The period within which this check can be made is 30 November and 2 December 2021.

20. SPECIFIC RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 2.1. The START BOAT may be communicated with on Channel VHF72.
- 2.2. All yachts while racing shall maintain a 24/7 listening watch on VHF Channel 16 except as otherwise required by these SI's.

21. TRANSMISSION RESTRICTIONS

- 3.1. A boat is not permitted to request or provide information in relation to, weather conditions or information in relation to the race or other competitors, except where requested by the Organising Authority.
- 3.2. No restriction is placed on the receiving of weather information broadcast by Government or commercial stations.

22. PRIZES

- 22.1 Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third places on corrected time in each division.
- 22.2 The Wolf Rock Trophy will be awarded to the Overall winner under IRC. 15.3 Line Honours Prize. Other Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 22.3 Announcement of overall results and presentation of prizes will take place at approx. 1700hours on Sunday 05/12/2021 at the RQYS, Manly.

23. INDEMNITY

- 23.1 Any entrant found to be deliberately invalidating certificates, falsifying documentation or otherwise misleading the Race Committee may be subject to action under ISAF RRS 69.1. If the Protest is upheld the yacht may be subject to disqualification from any future RQYS event and the incident will be reported to Australian Sailing.
- 23.2 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

Appendix A - Courses

Course A: Out NW back NE

MARK	DESCRIPTION	REQUIRED SIDE
Start	27 24.70' S, 153 16.22' E	See SI 10
Port Lateral Beacon M8 (passing)	27 12.16' S, 153 17.19' E	Port
South Cardinal Mark M9	27 09.49' S, 153 20.16' E	Port
EK1 Buoy (passing)	27 08.55' S, 153 19.44' E	Port
EK2 Buoy (passing)	27 08.51' S, 153 19.86' E	Starboard
Starboard Lateral Beacon M3	27 05.64' S, 153 18.62' E	Port
Starboard Lateral Beacon	27 03.47' S, 153 17.88' E	Port
West Cardinal	27 02.25' S, 153 15.47' E	Starboard
Starboard Lateral Beacon NW3 (passing)	26 57.82' S, 153 13.36' E	Starboard
NW4 Port Lateral Beacon	26 51.47' S, 153 09.30' E	Starboard
NW Fairway Mark	26 48.73' S, 153 10.62' E	Port
Wolf Rock	25 54.58' S, 153 11.85' E	Starboard
Port Lateral Beacon NE2	26 57.59' S, 153 20.43' E	Port
Starboard Lateral Beacon NE1	26 59.95' S, 153 19.95' E	Starboard
Port Lateral Beacon NE4	27 02.47' S, 153 20.72' E	Port
East Cardinal Mark NE3	27 04.69' S, 153 21.49' E	Starboard
Port Lateral Beacon M6	27 06.63' S, 153 20.23' E	Starboard
South Cardinal Mark M9 (passing)	27 09.49' S, 153 20.16' E	Starboard
Port Lateral Beacon MB2	27 12.08' S, 153 18.74' E	Port
Finish	27 26.62' S, 153 14.61' E	See SI 12

Course B: Out NE back NW

MARK	DESCRIPTION	REQUIRED SIDE
Start	27 24.70' S, 153 16.22' E	See SI 10
Port Lateral Beacon MB2	27 12.08' S, 153 18.74' E	Starboard
South Cardinal Mark M9 (passing)	27 09.49' S, 153 20.16' E	Port
Port Lateral Beacon M6	27 06.63' S, 153 20.23' E	Port
East Cardinal Mark NE3	27 04.69' S, 153 21.49' E	Port
Port Lateral Beacon NE4	27 02.47' S, 153 20.72' E	Starboard
Starboard Lateral Beacon NE1	26 59.95' S, 153 19.95' E	Port
Port Lateral Beacon NE2	26 57.67' S, 153 20.43' E	Starboard
Wolf Rock	25 54.58' S, 153 11.85' E	Port
NW Fairway Mark	26 48.73' S, 153 10.62' E	Starboard
Port Lateral Beacon NW4	26 51.47' S, 153 09.30' E	Port
Starboard Lateral Beacon NW3 (passing)	26 57.82' S, 153 13.35' E	Port
West Cardinal	27 02.25' S, 153 15.47' E	Port
Starboard Lateral Beacon (passing)	27 03.47' S, 153 17.88' E	Starboard
Starboard Lateral Beacon M3	27 05.64' S, 153 18.60' E	Starboard
EK2 Buoy (passing)	27 08.51' S, 153 19.86' E	Port
EK1 Buoy (passing)	27 08.55' S, 153 19.44' E	Starboard
South Cardinal Mark M9	27 09.49' S, 153 20.15' E	Starboard
Port Lateral Beacon M8 (passing)	27 12.16' S, 153 17.19' E	Starboard
Finish	27 26.62' S, 153 14.61' E	See SI 12

APPENDIX B – SKIPPER’S DECLARATION

To RQYS Sailing Office
2021 Wolf Rock Race

I hereby declare that during the 2021 Wolf Rock Race, organised by RQYS
I was on board and in charge of the yacht:

BOAT		SAIL NO	
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I declare that during the race the following Rules were NOT observed and / or
Infringements occurred, with an explanation given as follows (back of page may be
used):

The finishing time of my yacht, recorded from my GPS time was _____ on _____ 2021

Name of Person-In-Charge: _____

Signature of Person-In-Charge: _

Witnessed by: (Crew Member) _____ Signature: _____

Received By: _____

At Date: _____ / _____ /2021 **Time:** ____:____:____ **Location:** _____